

Special products

Types of Polynomials

You will need to remember the **special product formulas**:

$$(x + y)^2 = x^2 + 2xy + y^2$$

$$(x - y)^2 = x^2 - 2xy + y^2$$

$$(x + y)(x - y) = x^2 - y^2$$

Example 1: Multiplying Sums of Two Terms

Multiply the following polynomials.

a) $(x + 3)^2$

b) $(x + 4)^2$

c) $(x + 5)^2$

d) $(2x + 3)^2$

Example 1: Multiplying Differences of Two Terms

Multiply the following polynomials.

a) $(x - 2)^2$

b) $(x - 3)^2$

c) $(x - 4)^2$

d) $(2x - 3)^2$

Example 3: Multiplying the Difference of Two Squares

Multiply the following polynomials.

a) $(x - 2)(x + 2)$

d) $(2x - 1)(2x + 1)$

b) $(x - 3)(x + 3)$

e) $(2x - 3)(2x + 3)$

c) $(x - 4)(x + 4)$

f) $(2x - 5)(2x + 5)$

